

The board of trustees of this district recognizes the right of all students residing within the district boundaries, including those who are homeless, to enroll in, and participate in the district's educational and support programs.

## **STUDENT RIGHTS**

Homeless students who are enrolled in this district have the right to:

1. Equal access to all educational programs and services, including transportation and school nutrition programs;
2. Continue to attend school in their school of origin for the duration of homelessness or the current school year, whichever ends first;
3. Attend regular public school with students who are not homeless, unless there exists a legitimate reason for requiring attendance at another school; and
4. Receive all educational services for which they are eligible (i.e., special education, gifted and talented, and LEP).

## **DISTRICT RESPONSIBILITIES**

The schools in this district will develop strategies for meeting the needs of homeless students and eliminating barriers to their attendance at school, including identification, and the provision of appropriate support services.

## **TRANSPORTATION**

The district shall provide homeless students with transportation services comparable to those offered to other students at the school of attendance.

If a homeless student moves to a shelter that is in another attendance area within the district, the superintendent or designee may arrange transportation that enables the student to continue attending the same school.

If a homeless student attending school in this district moves to a shelter in another district, the superintendent or designee may arrange transportation that enables the student to continue attending the same school in this district, through the services of this district, the new home district, or an outside agency.



**LEGAL REFERENCE:**

Elementary and Secondary Education Act (2001)  
McKinley-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (2001, Section 724(g))  
Idaho Code Section 33-1404

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